GOVERNEMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Health, Medical and Family Welfare Department – Constitution of Committee with Officers and Experts – To suggest an effective Protocol/SOP on Prevention, treatment and management of Diarrhea, Waterborne, Vector Borne and other seasonal diseases - treatment - Orders - Issued.

HEALTH, MEDICAL & FAMILY WELFARE (E2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 566 **Dated: 12-09-2024**
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Note from the Hon'ble Minister (HFW&ME), AP, Dated:28-06-2024

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ORDER:

In the month of June, 2024, there were several instances of outbreak of diarrhea and seasonal diseases in different districts of the State. The malaria and Dengue cases have also shown an increase during this year compared to same period during last few years. Even though action is being taken in prevention, surveillance, testing, treatment, and control measures, it is observed that there is no specific Protocol/Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for guidance to field staff of Health/ PR & RD and MA&UD functionaries on Waterborne, Vector born and other seasonal diseases. The field staff get into action more after the outbreak of such diseases with noticeable lag in mounting suitable responses at various levels across the chain of command upto the District and State level officers. Absence of well drawn out protocol/SOPs comes in the way of initiating quick responses/mitigating measures.

2. The Hon’ble Chief Minister during review on Seasonal conditions held on 03.07.2024 has taken serious view on not having a specific protocol/SOP., to take precautionary and mitigation measures during the monsoon season. He had also directed all the departments concerned to look into the good management practices followed during 2014-19 and implement them with focus on reducing the cases to zero.

3. In view of the above, Government has decided to constitute an committee with Officers and Experts in the field of diarrhea, Waterborne, Vector born and seasonal diseases to recommend/suggest an effective protocol/SOP duly integrating with National Protocol on diarrhea, Waterborne, Vector borne and seasonal diseases.

4. Accordingly, Government hereby constitutes the Committee with the following members:

Sl.No.	Officer	Designation
1	Commissioner, Health and Family Welfare, A.P.	Chairman
2	Commissioner, Panchayat Raj and Rural Development, A.P.	Member
3	Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration, A.P.	Member

4	Project Officer, Integrated Tribal Development Authority, Paderu.	Member
5	Director of Medical Education, A.P.	Member
6	An expert in Micro Biology from Director of Medical Education, A.P.	Member
7	An expert in General Medicine from Director of Medical Education, A.P.	Member
8	An expert in Gastroentoligist from Director of Medical Education, A.P.	Member
9	An expert in Social and Preventive Medicine from Director of Medical Education, A.P.	Member
10	Director of Public Health and Family Welfare, A.P.	Member Secretary and Convenor

5. Terms of Reference (ToR) of the Committee are as follows:

i. To suggest an effective institutional mechanism of coordination among various concerned Departments/Ministries/Agencies both before and after the outbreak of diseases including the modalities of interaction and decision making and for follow up actions;

ii. To suggest a broad mandatory schedule of meetings both before and after the outbreak of diseases for effective preventive measures and mitigation of incidence of diseases;

iii. To broadly outline the functions and responsibilities of various Departments/Ministries/Agencies both before and after the outbreak of diseases;

iv. To broadly indicate a schedule of field visits/inspections by different functionaries of various line departments for field assessment both before and after the outbreak of seasonal diseases for field assessment of the situation and for identifying various measures to be taken up;

v. To suggest an effective methodology of reporting field assessment of the situation from time to time and ensuring effective follow up both before and outbreak of diseases;

vi. To suggest periodic schedule of reporting on the assessment of evolving situation of diseases including the lacunae observed and actions taken to overcome the same by all the concerned agencies;

vii. To suggest effective clinical Protocols/ SOPs duly aligning with National Protocol/SOPs for various diseases for their prevention, treatment and management and to improve the quality of care:

viii. To suggest measures for improving disease care management in ICUs towards reducing mortality;

ix. To examine the ‘best practices’ followed elsewhere to prevent and minimize incidence of such diseases;

x. The Committee to recommend effective Protocol/ SOPs for compliance by all concerned Departments / Ministries / Agencies so as to enable accountability for preventing the outbreak of and minimizing the incidence of such seasonal diseases.

6. The Committee may invite other Specialists/Experts/Resource persons on different subject matters as Special invites as deemed required.

7. The Committee shall submit the report to Government within two weeks.

8. The Director of Public Health and Family Welfare, A.P., shall take necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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The Commissioner of Health & Family Welfare, A.P., Mangalagiri.
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The Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration, A.P.
The Project Officer, Integrated Tribal Development Authority, Paderu.
The Director of Medical Education, AP, Vijayawada.
The Director of Public Health & Family Welfare, A.P., Vijayawada.
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